

STATE SCHOOL REFORM/REDESIGN OFFICE TIMELINE

2009

April – Michigan Legislature introduces reform legislation on school turnaround for its lowest performing schools through new Section 1280c in Revised School Code. The bills create the State School Reform/Redesign Officer (SSRRO) and the State School Reform/Redesign District (SSRRD).

July – President Obama announces the \$4.3 billion Race to the Top (RTTT) grant. States can apply for \$ if it can demonstrate commitment to school reform.

December – MDE holds public hearings for input on the RTTT application.

December – School reform legislation becomes law through House Bill 4787/Public Act 204.

2010

January – Michigan submits its RTTT application to USED.

March – Michigan notified it is not a Round 1 RTTT recipient.

July – Michigan notified it is not a Round 2 RTTT recipient. Supt. Flanagan announces commitment to Public Act 204.

August – MDE identifies 2010 Cohort (92 lowest achieving schools) to write reform plans for SSRRO. MaryAlice Galloway named Interim SSRRO.

November – Flanagan announces national search for SSRRO.

December – Galloway approves 45 of 92 school reform plans.

2011

February – Michigan Legislature introduces bill exempting school districts with EM from oversight by SSRRO. In March, this become law through Senate Bill 157/PA 8.

July – Gov. Snyder and DPS EM Roberts announce the Education Achievement Authority (EAA) created by inter-local agreement to serve 15 DPS low performing schools.

August – MDE identifies 2011 Cohort (98 lowest achieving schools) to write reform plans for SSRRO. Deborah Clemmons named SSRRO.

November – SSRRO signs contract for Education Achievement Authority (EAA) to serve as State Reform District.

2012

July – Michigan receives ESEA Flexibility Waiver for NCLB for 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 school years altering school reform work.

August – MDE identifies 2012 Cohort (146 Priority Schools and 358 Focus Schools) under ESEA Flex-approved system.

August – 15 EAA schools begin classes.

November – Michigan Legislature introduces HB 6004 and SB 1358 to codify the EAA.

2013

March – Michigan Legislature introduces HB 4369 to amend Section 1280c and define further how schools would be placed in the State Reform District. House passes the bill.

August – MDE identifies 2013 Cohort (137 Priority Schools and 349 Focus Schools).

December – HB 4369 does not become law. Flanagan announces plan to place schools in the SSRRD in 2014.

2014

February – SSRRO files termination of contract with EAA to serve as SSRRD effective Feb. 2015.

March – Michigan Legislature attempts to pass HB 4369 without success.

August – Michigan receives ESEA Flexibility Waiver extension for NCLB for 2014-2015 school year altering school reform work.

August – MDE identifies 2014 Cohort (138 Priority Schools and 346 Focus Schools) under ESEA Flex-approved system.

2015

January – Natasha Baker named SSRRO.

February – EAA no longer serves as exclusive SSRRD.

March – By E.O. Gov. Snyder moves SSRRO/SSRRD from MDE to DTMB.

August – MDE identifies no new Priority and Focus schools under ESEA Flex-approved system due to new M-STEP assessment transition, but continues to work with all five cohorts of Priority Schools and all 3 cohorts of Focus Schools.